

Manager's Newsletter

Town of Kitty Hawk

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Recessed Council Meeting Summary

Kitty Hawk Town Council met at 9 a.m. in a recessed session Thursday, February 23, 2012 at Town Hall. The first order of business was to approve an extension of the waiver of permit fees for repairs associated with damages caused by Hurricane Irene until May 31.

Town Manager John Stockton presented Council with an overview of the preliminary FY 2012-13 Town budget and reviewed expenditure requests from each department. Department heads were on hand to answer questions.

Mr. Stockton explained that in the budget years of 2007, 2008 and 2009, revenue exceeded total expenditures. In 2010, revenues and expenditures were even and in the last two budgets the gap between revenue and expenditure requests have widened to create a revenue deficit.

For the 2012-13 budget, a preliminary shortfall of \$938,000 was presented for Council to address. Stockton reminded Council that there were a number of options available to close that gap: decrease expenditures, increase revenue or a combination of the two.

Council made it clear that their primary goal would be to maintain Town services.

In discussions with staff, suggestions were made for fee changes and grant sources that could result in close to \$100,000 in costs without cutting services or efficiency.

Mr. Stockton also reiterated that ``Everything, at this point in the process, is preliminary. As we get closer to adopting a budget, the exact figure of revenue we can anticipate receiving will become more concrete. We will determine if alternate sources of funding are available. We will review all expenditure requests. Today, we are simply setting a starting point to begin discussions and establish goals in serving our community."

The next Budget Workshop Session has been set for Monday, April 16 at 9 a.m.

The next Regular Meeting of Town Council is set for Monday, March 5 at 6 p.m. at Town Hall.

TOWN OF KITTY HAWK NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Town of Kitty Hawk is holding a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 15, 2012 to discuss the draft Town of Kitty Hawk Solid Waste Management Plan for the period of July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2022. The plan is being prepared in accordance with N.C. General Statute 130A-309.09A(b) for the purpose of meeting local solid waste needs and protecting the public health and the environment. A copy of the draft plan is available for review at the Kitty Hawk Planning & Inspections Office in Town Hall. For more information about the solid waste management plan, please contact Joe Heard with the Planning & Inspections Department at (252)261-3552.

Council to Meet, Monday, March 5, 2012 - 6:00 PM

Items on the proposed agenda include:

Old Business Items

 Amendments to Town Code Section 20-23, Speed Limits – Lower speed limit from 35 mph on Amadas AVE, Harbor CT, Watts DR, Colleton AVE, Radcliff CT and Old Schoolhouse LN

New Business Item

Subdivision – Hickory Ridge, Phase II (17 lots) – Applicant is requesting approval of a revised final plat for Phase II of the Hickory Ridge Subdivision. The plat proposes to revise the configuration of the thirteen (13) existing lots to create a total of seventeen (17) lots on 7.77 acres. No changes are proposed to any of the subdivision improvement, which include water lines, stormwater management features and two roads: Otila Way and Marityme Lane. A small common area at the southwest corner of the intersection of Otila Way and Marityme Lane is proposed to be removed.

The meeting will be held on Monday, March 6 at 6:00 p.m. at Kitty Hawk Town Hall, 101 Veterans Memorial Drive, Kitty Hawk. The public is encouraged to attend.

Planning Board Meeting Summary February 16, 2012

At its public meeting on February 16th, the Planning Board reviewed a proposal to revise the configuration of the thirteen (13) existing lots in the second phase of the Hickory Ridge subdivision (at the end of Ridge Road) to create a total of seventeen (17) lots on 7.77 acres. The original subdivision was approved in 2008. No changes are proposed to any of the existing subdivision improvements, which include water lines, stormwater management features, and two roads: Otila Way and Marityme Lane. After finding that the revised subdivision plat appeared to meet all of the Town's standards, the Board voted unanimously (5-0) to recommend approval of the revised subdivision to Town Council, with some additional information to be added to the final plat prior to consideration by Town Council. In addition, as part of its motion to approve, the Planning Board strongly recommended that the developer look into ways to improve the stormwater drainage that may have been impacted by the construction of Otila Way between two areas of wetlands. The proposal will proceed to Town Council on March 5th for final consideration.

Next, the Planning Board reviewed its proposed work plan for FY 2012-13. As part of their work plan, the Board members expressed a strong interest in reviewing certain sections of the Town's adopted land use plan. With the approval of the Board, Chairman Oscar Northen and Planning Director Joe Heard were asked to draft a plan review proposal for consideration by the Town Council.

Town of Kitty Hawk Proposes to Reduce Speed Limit on Unimproved Streets

The Kitty Hawk Town Council will consider the reduction of the speed limit from 35 mph on certain unimproved streets in Kitty Hawk to include Amadas Ave., Harbor Ct., Watts Dr., Colleton Ave., Radcliff Ct., and Old Schoolhouse Lane. An ordinance to reduce the speed limit will be considered at the March 5, 2012 Town Council meeting that will be held at the Municipal Building, 101 Veterans Memorial Drive, Kitty Hawk at 6:00 p.m.. For any further information, persons can call 261-3552.



Dominion Power Promoting "Good Cents" Program



Currently Dominion NC Power has a group of contractors going door-to-door promoting a program called Good Cents. These contractors wear a Dominion contractor badge that should be visible at all times. They have passed Dominion security background checks and will be performing this service in the Outer Banks area for the next several weeks. Below is a brief description of the program. You may also find more information at www.dom.com.

Program Overview

Dominion will install an A/C Cycling or <u>"smart" switch</u> on your outdoor air-conditioning unit or heat pump system. Since the work is performed on your outdoor unit, you don't even need to be home during installation. We provide the equipment and the installation is free.

During periods of high demand, we will call an "event" which means we will cycle your air conditioner or heat pump compressor on and off for short periods. The fan will stay on circulating already cooled air. This occurs during the summer season between June and September. Typically cycling will occur for about four hours per event, between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., and will not occur on weekends or holidays.

Participation is open to qualifying customers in Dominion Power's service territory, who will receive \$40 following each summer season they participate.

Town Calendar

Town Council Meeting—Monday, March 5, 2012—6:00 p.m.

Broadcast of Town Council Meeting - Thursday, March 8 and Sunday, March 11, 2012—1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. (Charter Cable, Channel 20)

Board of Adjustment Meeting/Public Hearing—Monday, March 12, 2012—4:00 p.m. Appeal—Size of Window Signs

Public Meeting—Solid Waste Management Plan—Thursday, March 15, 2012—6:00 p.m.

Kitty Hawk Fire Department News

<u>Congratulations to Ben Alexander</u> who received his Advanced Firefighter Certificate on February 15, 2012. Ben is the Fire Inspector/Code Officer for the Town and also works as a firefighter. To qualify for advanced firefighter certification, it was necessary for Ben to demonstrate a high level of competence by documenting professional, educational, continuing education training, and certifications, and to fulfill prescribed standards of performance. Ben has been a member of the full-time staff of the Kitty Hawk Fire Department since September, 2002.



Save the Date!

Kitty Hawk Fire Department Annual Golf Tournament Saturday, June 23, 2012

More information to follow

Board of Adjustment to Hold Public Hearing

The Kitty Hawk Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 12, 2012, at 4:00 p.m., at Town Hall.

The Board will be hearing an appeal of the Town staff's interpretation of Town Code—Section 42-577, Table IV regarding the maximum size of window signs.

During the public hearing, all interested persons will be given the opportunity to comment on the above referenced matter. The Board of Adjustment may thereafter act upon the proposed appeal, which action may include approval, denial, modification or deferral of action until a subsequent meeting.

For more information about the proposed appeal application, please contact Joe Heard with the Planning & Inspections Department at (252)261-3552.

Prior to the public hearing, the Kitty Hawk Board of Adjustment will hold a public meeting at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, March 12, 2012 for the purpose of conducting training for the Board members. This meeting will also be held at Kitty Hawk Town Hall and is open to the public.



Missed the Council Meeting? Don't Have Cable?

The Government Channel (Channel 20) programming is now available online, 24 hours a day via live stream.

Watch Town Council Meetings and all county programming by visiting www.darenc.com.

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April 14th - 28th, 2012

For more information call:

The Litter Sweep Hotline

1-800-331-5864

Forms, Posters and Telephone Listings are available from your local AAH Coordinator or our Web site.

www.ncdot.gov/~beautification

Kitty Hawk Fire Department is Recruiting Volunteers Incentives Available Call 252-261-2666 for more information.



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